# CAL FIRE NEWS RELEASE

### California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection



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**RELEASE** 

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#### Tehama and Glenn Counties Burn Permit Suspension Lifted

Red Bluff - Effective Monday November 26, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. the burn permit suspension in Tehama County and the State Responsibility Areas of Glenn Counties will be lifted. CAL FIRE Tehama Glenn Unit Chief Christine Thompson is formally cancelling the burn permit suspension and advises those individuals possessing current and valid agricultural or residential burn permits that they can burn on permissible burn days. CAL FIRE burn permits will be required until the end of fire season. Agricultural burns must be inspected by CAL FIRE prior to burning. Inspections may be required for burns other than agricultural burns. This can be verified by contacting your local Air Quality Management District.

While cooler temperatures have helped to diminish the threat of wildfire, we are still following a five year drought period. Property owners and residents are asked to use caution while conducting debris or agricultural burns, follow all guidelines provided, and maintain control of the fire at all times. Individuals can be held civilly and/or criminally liable for allowing a fire to escape their control and/or burn onto neighboring property.

Residents wishing to burn MUST verify it is a permissive burn day prior to burning. Burn day status can be determined by calling Tehama County Air Pollution at (530) 527-3717 or Glenn County Air Pollution at (800) 446-2876. The burning hours for Tehama County are 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. In Glenn County the burn hours are 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Burn permits can be obtained at the CAL FIRE/TCFD Red Bluff Headquarters or your local CAL FIRE station. Burn barrels are <u>not</u> legal except for residents of Flournoy, Mill Creek, and Platina. Citations can be issued for the illegal use of burn barrels. Residents are reminded to use caution and have consideration for their neighbors while burning.

#### **Pile Burning Requirements**

- Only dry, natural vegetative material such as leaves, pine needles and tree trimmings may be burned.
- The burning of trash, painted wood or other debris is not allowed.
- Do **NOT** burn on windy days.
- Piles should be no larger than four feet in diameter and in height. You can add to pile as it burns down.
- Clear a 10 foot diameter down to bare soil around your piles.
- Have a shovel and a water source nearby.
- An adult is required to be in attendance of the fire at all times.

Safe residential pile burning of forest residue by landowners is a crucial tool in reducing fire hazards. State, Federal and Local land management and fire agencies will also be utilizing this same window of opportunity to conduct prescribed burns aimed at improving forest health on private and public lands.

For more information on burning, visit the CAL FIRE website at www.fire.ca.gov.

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